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| For:                  | Catheter With Removable Balloon Protector and Stent Delivery System<br>With Removable Stent Protector |
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This Election is in response to the Office Action dated October 1, 2003 which imposed a restriction requirement to Species I (Fig. 8, claim 86) or Species II (Figs. 9-9i, claim 87). Applicant elects to prosecute species II, namely claim 87.

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